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April 23, 1963

Mr. Bruce Curd
Church of Christ
115 E. Eakin Street
Blacksburg, Virginia

Dear Brother Curd:

Your letter of March 12 was discussed at the last elders and deacons meeting. The brethren here are in complete sympathy with the situation you expressed. We are also vitally interested in the success of the work at Blacksburg.

We are in the midst of planning for a new Church Plant, Home for the Aged, and Christian School. The first stage of our building program alone, it now appears, will cost at least \$300,000. In view of the necessity of buying a great deal of land and having some money to begin, we have had to cut back in all areas of our work.

We are sending \$75 monthly to the Monterey, Tennessee work. There is some reason to believe that this support may not continue based on the possibility that the present minister there will leave. The elders have asked me to inform you that if Brother Albert Ward leaves that \$75 a month will be immediately directed to you; but at the present time, we are unable to offer assistance. However, if by any means you can hold on until the first of the year there is another \$50 monthly commitment that can also be redirected to the Blacksburg work.

Bruce, we are sincerely interested and are extremely unhappy that we cannot help immediately. You have made and are making great sacrifices and we deeply appreciate all that you are doing.

Fraternally yours,

John Allen Chalk

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